

Minutes Town of Stella Regular Town Board Meeting held on August 9, 2016, at 5p.m.

Present: Chairman Dave Brunette, Supervisors Bob Goodin and Rich Hirman, Treasurer Kathy Baker, and Clerk Amy Zdroik

Town residents: Secluded Land Company Representative, Jack Akers; Oneida County Planning and Zoning Representatives, Scott Ridderbush and Karl Jennrich; Al Ring; Jill Rassbach; Ken Rassbach; Jerome Kuczmariski; and Susie Kuczmariski.

Chair Dave Brunette called the Regular Town Board Meeting to order at 5:02 p.m.

- **Approve Agenda and Meeting Noticed.** Clerk verified the meeting was noticed on the three (3) town bulletin boards. A MOTION WAS MADE by Supervisor Goodin, seconded by Supervisor Hirman to approve Agenda. Motion carried by voice vote.
- **Approve Minutes.** Clerk Zdroik distributed minutes from the **July 12, 2016, Regular Town Board Meeting**. There were no changes to the minutes. A MOTION WAS MADE by Supervisor Goodin to approve the Regular Town Board Meeting minutes, seconded by Supervisor Hirman. Motion carried.
- **Treasurer Report for July 2016.** Treasurer Baker gave the report of the Town of Stella Revenue and Expense accounts for the month ending July 31, 2016. A MOTION WAS MADE by Chair Brunette, seconded by Supervisor Hirman, to approve the July 2016 Treasurer's Report as read. Motion carried by voice vote.
- **Secluded Land Company Discussion Regarding Jennie Raisen Lake Development.** Secluded Land Company Representative, Jack Akers, presented a preliminary plat map to The Board of the area of proposed development. Secluded stated that the preliminary paperwork was also submitted to Oneida County Planning and Zoning as of August 8, 2016. Chair Brunette asked Secluded about public access. Secluded was going to request a waiver but Chair Brunette stated The Town wants public access. Secluded will look into public access. According to the Town Road Ordinance, a blacktop road is not required for a subdivision if The Town is not maintaining the road. Secluded will be creating a private gravel road built to Town Road Ordinance specs that will be maintained by the subdivision (condo association). Secluded has not purchased the property yet, but plans on closing within the next three months. Future development will follow the rules and regulations provided by the State. Oneida County Planning and Zoning stated they will accept the preliminary map and perform a technical review. They will need to compare the proposed development with state statutes. County no longer regulates the 200 feet requirement of building next to water. The State now regulates that building cannot occur closer than 75 feet next to a lake. Chair Brunette will discuss with Town Attorney regarding whether an out lot is required to be a minimum of five acres. Supervisor Goodin asked about the floodplains and wetlands along creek and Jennie Raisen Lake. County will perform on-site inspection. Floodplains will need to be placed on the plat map. Secluded presented "Private Maintenance Agreement" that will be given to potential buyers. Buyer must agree to maintain private gravel road but the subdivision (condo association) can discuss in the future the creation of a paved road (paid by the condo association) that would be then maintained by The Town. Chair Brunette asked if there were any covenants. Secluded stated there were not any at this time but would set-up a condo association with a designated chair person. If there is a problem with one of the residents abiding by a covenant, the chair person would handle the matter and if needed, the incident would become a civil matter. Mobile homes are not restricted by The County. Secluded will be involved with the project until the last lot is sold. After that, the condo association will be in charge. Citizen Ken Rassbach very concerned about status of lake and aquifer after development of subdivision road. County responded that soils and water work is not required after development. County only deals with storm water run-off and wetlands preservation. They do not have a provision regarding ground water preservation. Wetlands cannot be filled in, no cutting of vegetation or creation of beaches. Citizen Jerome Kuczmariski asked if Secluded would install electricity. Secluded stated, "Yes." Citizen Susie Kuczmariski asked about a buffer zone on property line. Secluded stated the natural ditch line would not be disrupted along property line. They will expand right-of-way 25 feet onto Secluded property line to avoid filling in ditch. They will also create a natural buffer with trees along property line. Supervisor Hirman asked what happened to the top soil. Secluded stated the topsoil gets reused to fill the ditches. Citizen Ken Rassbach asked if Secluded had tried to retrieve water. Secluded stated, "No, not yet." Rassbach asked again how the aquifer would be affected. Secluded waiting for plat approval from Town Board. Town has 60 days from date of submission to County (August 8, 2016) once the paperwork has been submitted. Secluded will return for next Town Meeting.
- **Storm Damage Repair Update.** Supervisor Goodin stated storm damage roadwork done by Oettinger Excavating & Septic, Inc. for Deerhorn Road and Lilac Lane. Vance Baker repaired Sunset Lane.
- **Insurance Claim for Lawn Care.** Insurance claim from town resident, Nicole Losch. She claimed a rock hit her car while Supervisor Goodin was mowing Town Hall grounds. Supervisor Goodin asked her for two estimates regarding the damage. Damage less than \$500. Supervisor Goodin gave claim information to Town Insurance Company, Country Financial.

- **Discussion Banning Motor Vehicles from Stella Ball Field.** Supervisor Goodin expressed concern regarding individuals who were driving on Stella ball field and tearing up the grounds with their vehicles. Treasurer Baker asked who polices the grounds. Supervisor Goodin stated it was the Sheriff Department. Chair Brunette suggested posting “No Vehicle” signs and see what happens. Supervisor Goodin will check on cost of signs.
- **Discussion Banning Septic Dumping.** Discussion regarding banning due to the smell, possible effect on water table of Starks residents, and overuse of town roads. Chair Brunette will discuss with Town Attorney to determine if banning is possible.
- **New Fire Department Chief – Joe Jorgensen.** New term will begin September 1, 2016.
- **High Brush Clean-Up by Briggs Update.** Briggs cannot do clean-up due to improper equipment. Supervisor Goodin suggested having the County complete the work again this year. Cost is \$100/hour. Town has a \$5,000.00 budget for clean-up. Supervisor Goodin estimated it would take about a week to complete the job. Total cost for project about \$4,300.00.
- **Brush Clean-Up by Bob Feldman Update.** Feldman almost done with brush clean-up along ditch lines. At the end of Rasmussen Road, north side is Town of Stella and south side is Town of Monico. Feldman will clean-up both sides. When Briggs works on Ginty Lake Road for Town of Piehl, he will clean-up the side located in Town of Stella.
- **Culvert on Berger Road.** Oettinger Excavating & Septic, Inc. will replace the culvert. It is not an emergency, and a DNR permit is not required.
- **Beaver Problem on Sunset Lake.** Supervisor Goodin acquired Nuisance Permit for Tom Fedderly. Fedderly will trap and remove beaver(s) from Sunset Lake and Starks Creek.
- **Town Hall Rental.** Supervisor Hirman stated Lake Association rented the Town Hall on August 6, 2016, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. They plan on renting Town Hall every year. Prospective rental on October 8, or 9, for a baby shower. A \$200.00 deposit is required if The Town performs clean-up. Otherwise, rental is free if the customer performs clean-up.
- **Spafford Road/Spring Drive Project Update.** Supervisor Hirman discussed problem with getting permit for riprap work by water. Supervisor Hirman suggested having Oettinger Excavating & Septic, Inc. use hot mix for repair work. For the intersection, Supervisor Hirman suggested replacing the grass with gravel and removing the utility pole instead of modifying the whole intersection in order to make it more cost effective. Supervisor Goodin wants to wait due to other projects with a higher priority. Supervisor Hirman concerned with safety of intersection. Chair Brunette asked Clerk Zdroik to review Roadwork Expense (less Tripp Grant) for year. Then a priority list of road projects can be created with remaining roadwork funds.
- **Lawn Care of Town Hall Grounds.** Residents concerned about weeds around playground equipment and fence line. Supervisor Goodin will perform clean-up.
- **Exhaust Fan in Stella Fire Department.** Needs to be cleaned.
- **Storage Bin in Stella Fire Department.** Supervisor Hirman to purchase new storage bin from Menards for Fire Department and cleaning supplies.
- **Approve July 2016 Bills for Payment.** Invoices reviewed and approved for payment.
- **Set date for next Regular Town Board Meeting.** Date will be September 13, 2016, at 5 p.m.
- **Adjournment.** A motion to adjourn was made by Supervisor Goodin, seconded by Supervisor Hirman. Motion carried by voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted to the best of my ability and knowledge:

Submitted by
Amy Zdroik, Clerk